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SUBJECT: STRATUP PROGRESS AT KO-RI UNIT 1

- 1. INITIAL CRITICALITY OF SOUTH KOREA'S FIRST NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, KO-RI UNIT 1, AWAITS AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED FROM ATOMIC ENERGY BUREAU (AEB) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. KOREA ELECTRIC CO. REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION AT 1600 HOURS ON JUNE 12. UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, UPON RECEIPT OF AEB AUTHORIZATION, A STARTUP PROGRAM OF 22 HOURS IS REQUIRED BEFORE ATTAINING THE FIRST NUCLEAR CHAIN REACTION. SOME DELAY IN AEB'S AUTHORIZATION IS EXPECTED PENDING RESOLUTION OF AEB REQUIREMENTS BUT FIRST CRITICALITY WILL LIKELY BE ACHIEVED WITHIN THE NEXT TEN DAYS.
- 2. PRESENT STARTUP SCHEDULE CALLS FOR 10 PERCENT POWER OPERATION BY THE END OF JUNE.

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3. COMMERCIAL OPERATION OF THE 595 MWE PWR REMAINS SCHEDULED FOR END OF NOVEMBER 1977, TWENTY-ONE MONTHS LATER THAN ORIGINAL SCHEDULE DATE OF FEBRUARY 1976. DELAYS HAVE BEEN CAUSED PRIMARILY BY LATE DELIVERIES OF UNITED KINGDOM STEAM GENERATING PLANT EQUIPMENT AND ON-SITE REPAIR OF SAME. THE NUCLEAR STEAM SUPPLY SYSTEM IS SUPPLIED BY WESTINGHOUSE (US), THE BALANCE OF PLANT BY GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

GILBERT ASSOCIATES INC. (US) PROVIDED ARCHITECT/ ENGINEER SERVICES.

4. STARTUP PROGRESS TO DATE:

APRIL 23 BEGIN CORE LOADING

APRIL 26 COMPLETE CORE LOADING

APRIL 29 THROUGH MAY 3: PRESSURE VESSEL CLOSURE

MAY 22 WITH PRIMARY COOLANT RAISED TO APPROXIMATELY DESIGN

TEMPERATURE BY PRIMARY COOLANT PUMP HEAT, INITIAL TURBINE

GENERATOR TURNOVER AT 300 RPM

MAY 23 TURBINE GENERATOR TURNOVER AT 1200 RPM AND RATED 1800

RPM FOR 10 SECONDS.

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